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Nation's Currency Gets New Signature

The nation's currency underwent a change today when the first bills were printed bearing the signature of Secretary of the Treasury John B. Connally. The Secretary witnessed the printing of the new 1969 B Series one-dollar bills for the Dallas Federal Reserve District at a ceremony today at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

The 1969B Series bills bearing the signature of Secretary Connally and Treasurer of the United States Dorothy Andrews Kabis replace the 1969A Series bills which were cosigned by former Secretary of the Treasury David M. Kennedy and Mrs. Kabis. It is estimated that well over 550 million Kabis-Kennedy one-dollar bills were printed for all 12 Federal Reserve Districts. Previous to Mrs. Kabis' marriage her signature appeared along with former Secretary Kennedy's signature as Dorothy Andrews Elston on 3,597,536,000 pieces of currency.

Delivery of the Kabis-Connally bills will begin next month according to the request of the Federal Reserve, and will become available to the public sometime thereafter, consistent with inventory and other issue considerations of the 12 Federal Reserve Districts. Higher denomination Kabis-Connally bills will be printed at a later time.

Officials attending the ceremony were the Secretary and Mrs. Connally, Mrs. Kabis, Deputy Assistant Secretary William Dickey, and James Conlon, Director of Bureau of Engraving and Printing.